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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Title: INTRA THECAL ADMINISTRATION OF RITUXIMAB FOR TREATMENT OF
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM LYMPHOMAS

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

This is in response to the official action [final rejection] dated May 7, 2003, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C §§ 102(b), 103(a), and 112, first paragraph, as well as the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

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